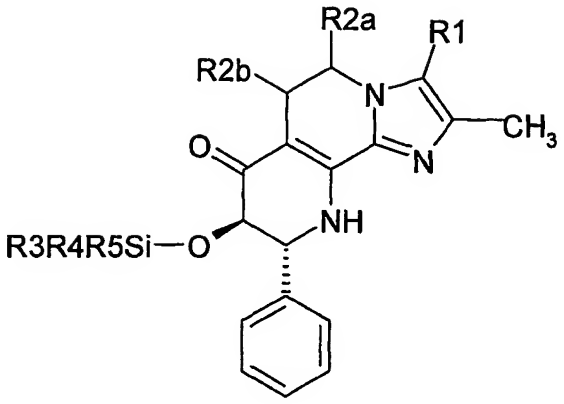
Claims

1. A compound of the formula 1,



(1)

in which

R1 is hydrogen, methyl or hydroxymethyl,

R2a and R2b are both hydrogen or together denote a bond,

R3 is 1-7C-alkyl,

R4 is 1-7C-alkyl and

R5 is 1-7C-alkyl,

and its salts.

2. A compounds of the formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl,

R2a and R2b are both hydrogen or together denote a bond,

R3 is 1-7C-alkyl,

R4 is 1-4C-alkyl and

R5 is 1-4C-alkyl,

and its salts.

3. A compounds of the formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R1 is methyl,

R2a and R2b are both hydrogen or together denote a bond,

R3 is tert-butyl,

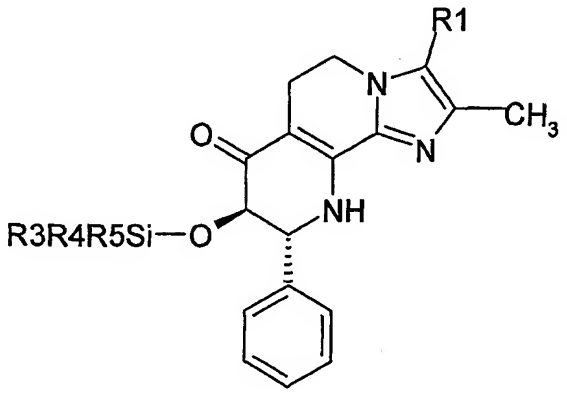
R4 is methyl and

R5 is methyl,

and its salts.

4. A compound of the formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R2a and R2b are both hydrogen and which is characterized by the formula 1a,



(1a)

in which

R1 is hydrogen, methyl or hydroxymethyl,

R3 is 1-7C-alkyl,

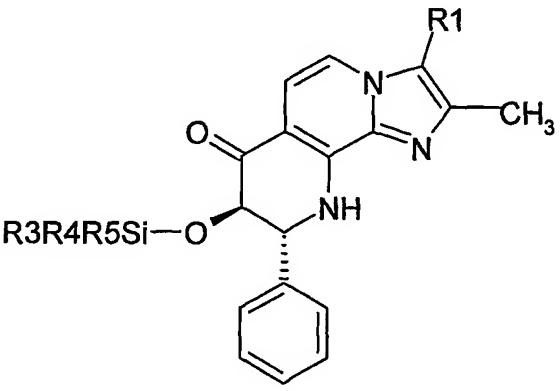
R4 is 1-7C-alkyl and

R5 is 1-7C-alkyl,

and its salts.

5. A compound of the formula 1 according to claim 1, in which

R2a and R2b together denote a bond and which is characterized by the formula 1b,



(1b)

in which

R1 is hydrogen, methyl or hydroxymethyl,

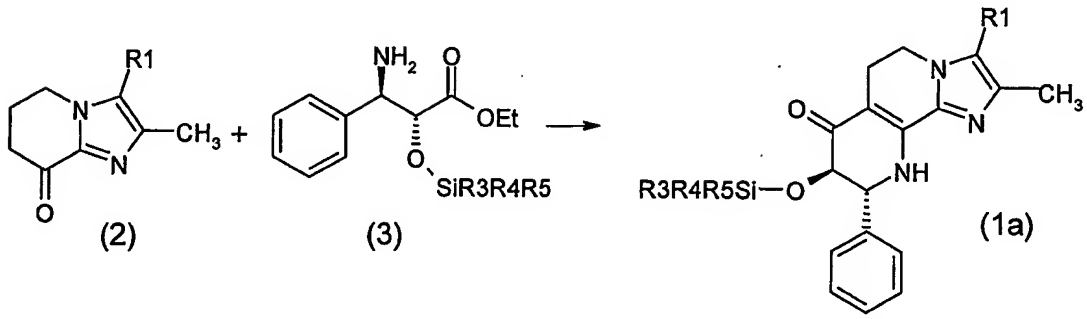
R3 is 1-7C-alkyl,

R4 is 1-7C-alkyl and

R5 is 1-7C-alkyl,

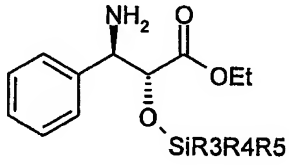
and its salts.

6. A process for the production of a compound of formula 1a according to claim 4,



which comprises reacting a compound of formula 2, in which R1 has the meaning given in claim 4, with a compound of formula 3, in which R3, R4 and R5 have the meanings given in claim 4, and subjecting the resulting imine intermediate to a ring closure reaction.

7. A compound of formula 3



(3)

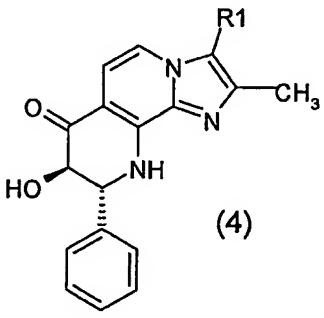
in which

R3 is 1-7C-alkyl,

R4 is 1-7C-alkyl and

R5 is 1-7C-alkyl.

8. Use of a compound of formula 1b according to claim 5, for the production of a compound of formula 4



(4)

in which

R1 is hydrogen, methyl or hydroxymethyl,

by hydrolysis of the compound of formula 1b.